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REMARKS

Claims 16-23 are pending. Independent claims 16 and 21 would be amended by entry of this Amendment, which would place all of the claims in condition for allowance and would not introduce any new feature. Accordingly, this Amendment should be entered in accordance with MPEP 714.12.

The withdrawal of the objections and rejections in the Office Action mailed on September 22, 2004, is gratefully acknowledged.

The final Action objects to claims 16 and 21 for several reasons, and rejects claims 16-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for indefiniteness.

Claim 16 and these objections and rejections were discussed in a telephone interview on July 12 between Examiner Perilla and the undersigned attorney. In particular, former claim language about "detecting a partial correlation" was discussed, and it was suggested that such language should be deleted in the interest of clarification of the claimed subject matter.

Entry of this Amendment would delete the offending construction and place the claims in forms that overcome the objections and rejections and clarify the interconnections between elements as they are described in the specification. For example, the claims as they would be amended are easily seen to be consistent with the description on page 18, lines 3-28.

It is believed that upon entry of this Amendment, this application will be in condition for allowance. An early Notice of same is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions, the undersigned attorney may be telephoned at the number given below.

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